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shall be held before one or more persons authorized by the exchange to conduct hearings pursuant to this section. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements set forth in  $\S8.17(a)(4)-(9)$  and (b).

- (d) Promptly following the hearing provided for in paragraph (c) of this section, the exchange shall render a written decision based upon the weight of the evidence contained in the record of the proceeding and shall provide a copy to the respondent. The decision shall include:
- (1) A description of the summary action taken.
- (2) The reasons for the summary action.
- (3) A brief summary of the evidence produced at the hearing,
  - (4) Findings and conclusions,
- (5) A determination that the summary action should be affirmed, modified or reversed, and
- (6) A declaration of any action to be taken pursuant to the determination specified in paragraph (d)(5) of this section and the effective date and duration of such action.
- (e) The rules of an exchange may permit the respondent to appeal promptly an adverse decision. Such rules shall be established in accordance with the requirements set forth in §8.19.

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#### §8.27 Violations of rules regarding decorum, submission of records or other similar activities.

An exchange may adopt rules which permit the enforcement staff or a designated committee of officials to summarily impose minor penalties against persons within its jurisdiction for violating rules regarding decorum, attire, the timely submission of accurate records required for clearing or verifying each day's transactions or other similar activities.

## § 8.28 Final decision.

Each exchange shall establish rules setting forth when a decision rendered pursuant to this subpart C shall become the final decision of such exchange.

## PART 9—RULES RELATING TO RE-VIEW OF EXCHANGE DISCIPLI-NARY, ACCESS DENIAL OR OTHER ADVERSE ACTIONS

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## **Subpart A—General Provisions**

## § 9.1 Scope of rules.

(a) Matters included. This part governs the review by the Commission, pursuant to section 8c of the Act, as amended, of any suspension, expulsion,

disciplinary or access denial action, or other adverse action by an exchange.

- (b) Matters excluded. This part does not apply to and the Commission will not accept notices of appeal, or petitions for stay pending review, of:
- (1) Any arbitration proceeding, regardless of whether the proceeding was conducted pursuant to the provisions of section 5a(a)(11) of the Act or involved a controversy between members of an exchange;
- (2) Except as provided in §§9.11(a), 9.11(b)(1)–(5), 9.11(c), 9.12(a) and 9.13 (concerning the notice, effective date and publication of a disciplinary or access denial action), any summary action authorized under the provisions of §8.27 of this chapter imposing a minor penalty for the violation of exchange rules relating to decorum or attire, or relating to the timely submission of accurate records required for clearing or verifying each day's transactions or other similar activities; and
- (3) Any exchange action arising from a claim, grievance, or dispute involving cash market transactions which are not a part of, or directly connected with, any transaction for the purchase, sale, delivery or exercise of a commodity for future delivery or a commodity option.

The Commission will, upon its own motion or upon motion filed pursuant to §9.21(b), promptly notify the appellant and the exchange that it will not accept the notice of appeal or petition for stay of matters specified in this paragraph. The determination to decline to accept a notice of appeal will be without prejudice to the appellant's right to seek alternate forms of relief that may be available in any other forum.

(c) Applicability of these part 9 rules. Unless otherwise ordered, these rules will apply in their entirety to all appeals, and matters relating thereto filed on or after August 6, 1987. Any part 9 proceeding pending before the Commission on August 6, 1987, will continue to be governed by the Commission's former part 9 rules, 17 CFR part 9 (1987), except that the parties to any part 9 proceeding pending on August 6, 1987, may, within 30 days after August 6, 1987, by written stipulation executed by all parties, and filed with the Proceedings Clerk before the Commission's

final decision is rendered, elect to have the matter governed by the provisions of this part 9, as amended.

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#### § 9.2 Definitions.

For purposes of this part:

- (a) Access denial action means any proceeding other than a disciplinary action by an exchange that denies or limits the privileges of membership, but excludes any exchange action that solely limits the ability of a member of an exchange to participate in the internal corporate affairs of the exchange.
- (b) Disciplinary action means any suspension, expulsion or other penalty (as defined in §8.03(i) of this chapter) imposed on a member of an exchange by that exchange for violations of rules of the exchange, including summary actions.
- (c) Exchange means any board of trade which has been designated as a contract market.
- (d) Exchange proceeding means any formal or informal proceeding by an exchange which results in a disciplinary action, access denial action or other adverse action.
- (e) Mail means properly addressed and postpaid first class mail, and includes overnight delivery service.
- (f) Member of an exchange means any person who is admitted to membership or has been granted membership privileges on an exchange, any employee, officer, partner, director or affiliate of such member or person with membership privileges including any associated person, and any other person under the supervision or control of such member or person with membership privileges.
- (g) Other adverse action and adverse action include any exchange action, other than an access denial action or disciplinary action, that adversely affects any person, whether or not a member of the exchange, but exclude any exchange action that solely involves the internal corporate affairs of the exchange.
- (h) Party includes the person filing a notice of appeal or petition for stay who has been the subject of a disciplinary, access denial or other adverse action by an exchange; that exchange;